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GROWING OLD.
The fairest lilies droop at eventide,
The sweetest roses fall from off the stem;
The rarest things on earth cannot abide,
And we are passing, too, away like them.
We're growing old.

We had our dreams, those rose dreams of youth;
They faded, and I was left.
Hath brought us fuller hopes, and yet forsooth,
We drop a tear now in this later time.
To think we're old.

We smile at those poor fancies of the past—
The golden days, the golden dreams;
Those high desires, those purposes so vast,
Ah, our poor hearts! they cannot come again.
We're growing old.

Oh! Well, the heaven's are old; this earth is too.
Old wine is best, and olden love is sweet;
Much have we lost more gained, although 'tis true
We tread life's way with most uncertain feet.
We're growing old.

We move along and scatter as we pass,
Soft places, tender hopes on every hand;
At last, with gray-crested hair and halcyon face,
We step across the boundary of the land
Where none are old.

IN COYOTE GULCH.

Circumstances certainly pointed to the fact that John Logan was a thief. The horse had been found in his possession, and he had been unable to satisfactorily explain how he came by it. Everybody in Coyote Gulch knew the horse. How was it possible to mistake that white nose and evil eye? The owner was willing to swear to the animal, and the owner was an honest man. What further evidence could be desired?

John Logan protested his innocence, but so would the most hardened of criminals. No, no! The jury were quite correct in their verdict of "Guilty," and the judge improvised for the occasion stood up and solemnly pronounced the death sentence.

John Logan heard it unmoved. He was not afraid to die. He had been a citizen of Coyote Gulch for three years, and had not made a single friend. He was the most unlovable man alive. During the day he worked at his claim; when night fell he sought his lonely cabin and kept it. Three times he had saved a little money, and three times he had been robbed of it all. Some people hardly blamed him for his universal condemnation of mankind; but no one liked him, and when he was sentenced to be hung for horse stealing there was little regret manifested.

It was a clear, calm day when John Logan was led out to his doom. He walked bravely to his station beneath the giant arm of an oak tree, but he was resolved not to die an ignominious death by hanging; he would force his executioners to shoot him; so when his hands were unbound just before the noose was put around his neck, he sprang away and ran.

If he had taken the open road he would have been riddled with bullets before he had gone three steps. He was too sensible to make such an error. Instead of striking off on the level he turned and bounded directly up the steep mountain side. A number of shots were fired after him, but the bullets flew wild. The underbrush was very thick and hid him from view. He could hardly hope to escape, however; and there a little doubt but that he would have been quickly captured if pursuit had been promptly given.

Fortunately there was a slight delay. The very audacity of the act paralyzed the beholders; and when finally Jack Hurley, the sheriff, followed by a howling mob of a dozen or more men, sprang away to recover the prisoner, John Logan had gained a start of several hundred yards. And he kept his advantage. He was acquainted with every inch of the mountain. He was strong-limbed and long-winded. Besides, with him it was a matter of life and death, while with his pursuers it was merely a question of sport.

On, on he tore; his eyes were wild and glowing; in a short time the bushes had torn his clothing to shreds; his breath came in great gasps; the sweat stood in drops upon his brow; each look, each movement denoted agony of mind and body, but still he struggled on. Just as the sun was setting he came over the brow of the mountain and looked back at the country spread out like a panorama below. It was very beautiful, but he had no eye just then for the charms of nature. He sat down to rest. His thoughts turned back to the mountain fever. His life can be saved if he is carried down to camp at once. Do what you like with me only do it quickly. Each moment is precious.

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There was a stream only a few feet away. Logan brought some water in his hat, gave it to the sufferer, and bathed his forehead. He knew well enough now what was the trouble; the lad had the mountain fever. He must die soon unless he had medical aid.

Logan stooped and raised the slight figure in his powerful arms; then suddenly it flashed across his brain, "I am a fugitive. It won't do. It is his life or mine, and in such cases every man must look out for himself."

He laid the lad down and bent over him for a moment. When he arose his face was very white. He had drawn a letter from beneath the suffer's torn shirt, where it lay against the heart that now beat so feebly. It was torn in many places, and the writing half illegible; but he knew it at once; it had been written by his own hand and sent to his brother Jim—little Jim whom he had left upon the farm ten years ago a boy of nine. How well he remembered the hour when they had parted—so brave and hopeful, Jim so confident, so absolutely certain that nowhere in this wide world lived the peer of his tall, broad-shouldered brother!

Logan was sure this was Jim. He recalled him feature by feature as he lay unconscious there. He had not changed so very much, after all, since those happy days of ten years ago. But now—now—

"Oh, my God, what shall I do?" cried Logan, wringing his hands. "If he should die—and he will, unless—unless I sacrifice myself for him!"

He passed his hand across his brow. What should he do? Desert his brother? Monstrous! Give himself up? No, no! And every moment the breath of the sick boy came in fainter gasps, and the beating of his heart became less and less perceptible. And the brother stood beside him staring ahead, but not seeing—only thinking.

John Hurley, the sheriff, and the body of men who had accompanied him in pursuit of the escaped prisoner, were weary, footsore and disgusted. The chase had proven to be anything but sport. As night fell, the sheriff was forced to confess himself defeated. It would be almost impossible to follow the trail in the darkness.

"We might as well give up and go home, boys," he said despondently.

"The boys," were willing. "Only let's have supper first," said one.

Fortunately a member of the party had secured a few provisions before starting. So the men sat down in a circle and proceeded to make a hearty meal from crackers and dried beef. In the midst of it there came in rapid succession six pistol shots.

"Come on, boys, we've got him!" shrieked the sheriff.

In an instant supper was abandoned, and the men rushed, trembling and eager, up the mountain side. As they neared the summit they came to a halt, for with his tall figure visible against the mountain side, stood John Logan, glaring down upon them.

They retreated more rapidly than they advanced; they were not cowards, but they feared some trap. Their alarm was but of momentary duration; then the sheriff, with drawn revolver, called upon Logan to surrender.

"I do," answered the man. "Chuck me down your pistol."

The empty weapon came bounding from rock to rock and fell at the feet of the sheriff.

"Now come down yourself," said Hurley.

"No," answered Logan, "you come up here. I wish to speak with you."

The sheriff consulted his followers.

"There's somethin' queer about all this," he said.

"You bet!" agreed the rest in chorus.

"It may be a trap," said Hurley. Then he called up, "What do you want?"

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And it was evident Jack Hurley meant what he said. Well, Jim didn't die. He recovered, and he and his brother worked on the claim together. And it turned out that there were two white-nosed horses, and that each had an evil eye. So John Logan's name was cleared, and the sheriff apologized for the error very handsomely.

John and Jim, two years later, went back to the old farm, each with twenty-five thousand dollars in his possession. And, as the stories say, they married and settled down, and lived happily ever after.

The Wrong Man.

Several years ago, when a landscape painter was making a very beautiful sunset picture, he had one evening succeeded in fixing his canvas where he could catch the last fiery glow—a peculiarly gorgeous one—to a night, when a well-dressed man came somewhat hastily round the bend of the road, and seeing the artist, paused to inquire if he had noticed a gentleman attired in a suit of rough gray tweed pass within the last half-hour.

The artist replied that since his arrival no one had passed the spot. Whereupon the new-comer briefly explained that he was in quest of a gentleman who was a lunatic, and had, through exceeding cleverness, given him the slip that morning. The keeper further remarked that his patient was to all appearances as sane as himself. Indeed, he said, strangers had frequently held long conversations with him without discovering that he was suffering from any mental affliction.

Just at that moment, approaching footsteps were heard, and the man, lowering his voice, exclaimed: "He is coming! I hear him, so I will hide behind the hedge, and you must pretend that I have taken the lower road."

Scarcely had the speaker time to get behind the hedge when a man attired in a rough gray tweed, his face wearing the wild flush of excitement, dashed down the road, and drawing up sharply in front of the painter's canvas, pantingly demanded:

"See a man pass this way lately?"

"Just a few minutes ago."

"A big man dressed in dark blue?"

"I noticed that he was tall, and wore dark clothing, certainly."

"Which way did he take?"

"The artist made no reply, but pointed with his brush towards the lower road, and in accordance with this direction the heated pedestrian dashed off again.

As soon as he had got out of sight and hearing the other man crept from his hiding-place, and said:

"You did that very cleverly, sir. I must bid you good-day, and cut across the fields to waylay him."

Then he added a sentence which caused the artist to start with amazement. It was this: "Before I go I should be glad if you would look at my meal. You see, it is a cabbage, and I am anxious to learn whether it is growing or not."

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